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Senators Offer Anti-Riot Bill

From Our Lansing Bureau

LANSING—A bill to equip the Governor with authority to deal with rioting without declaring martial law was introduced in the Senate by Senators Charles N. Youngblood, Detroit Democrat, and Harry F. Hittle, Lansing Republican and majority leader.

Hittle said the bill was proposed by State Police Commissioner Oscar H. Olander and results from experience in the 1943 Detroit riot.

The bill would permit the Governor to declare a state of emergency, to designate the area in which the emergency existed, to take control and to command police, state troops and other groups sent into the area.

